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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I am a student at NOVA in Virginia. I feel the proposed settlement in the anti-trust case United States vs. Microsoft is severely lacking in coverage and effective enforcement.

I suspect a symptom of Microsoft's tyrannical behavior, and the lack of restraint, is the flare up of Open Source development. Perhaps this public movement could be used to penalize Microsoft and benefit the public at the same time?

Regardless, I've seen Microsoft's tactics over the years, and the current settlement does almost nothing to curb their behavior. Microsoft will have completely evaded the minimal restraints and enforcement within five years and have lost none of its power to elbow competition out in the short or long run.

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